

**RESOLUTION R-2021-74
LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL**

A Resolution by the Luzerne County Council requiring the use of Electronic and Telecommunications for all meetings of Luzerne County Council

WHEREAS, Luzerne County residents adopted a Home Rule Charter on November 2, 2010; and

WHEREAS, The Preamble of the Luzerne County Charter states, "The citizens of Luzerne County have both the right and responsibility to participate in all phases of County government and, united by a common desire for truth, accountability, and openness, we the people of Luzerne County enact this Charter"; and

WHEREAS, Luzerne County Council has been meeting by electronic and telecommunications since March 2020, due to a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency declaration by the Governor of Pennsylvania on March 6th 2020; and

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Sunshine Act, 65 Pa.C.S. §§ 701-716, requires agencies to deliberate and take official action on agency business in an open and public meeting, and further requires that meetings have prior notice, and that the public can attend, participate, and comment before an agency takes that official action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Luzerne County Council hereby requires that all meetings of Luzerne County Council provide for citizens of Luzerne County to be able to attend these meetings electronically and/or via telecommunications in addition to being able to attend in public when the emergency declaration by the Governor of Pennsylvania is no longer active.

This resolution shall become effective 6 days after adoption.

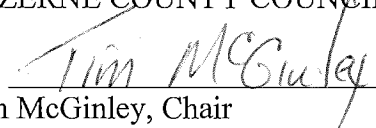
ADOPTED at a meeting of the Luzerne County Council held May 11, 2021.

ROLL CALL VOTE (11-0)

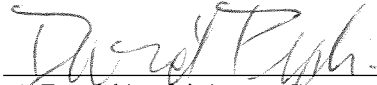
YES: Griffith, Haas, Houck, McDermott, McGinley, Perry, Radle, Saidman, Schnee, SJ Urban and Vough

Attest: 
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: 
Tim McGinley, Chair

LUZERNE COUNTY MANAGER


C. David Pedri, Esq., County Manager